CELEBRATING THE CAREER OF MR. BERNAL W. COY

HON. TAMMY BALDWIN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 16, 2000

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Bernal W. Coy of Richland Center, Wl. Mr. Coy has served as an elected official in Richland County for over 41 years. He will retire this April. I rise to congratulate him and thank him for his many years of public service.

His exceptionally distinguished career has been marked with significant achievements. Mr. Coy was first elected to public office in 1958 as Richland County Clerk. He served honorably for more than 29 years, during an additional 14 terms. In 1988, Mr. Coy was then elected to the Richland County Board of Supervisors, representing the district of Richland Township. His leadership was recognized by his colleagues, who elected him to serve as Vice-Chairman of the County Board, a position he has held continuously ever since.

During his 41 years of public service, he helped to ensure long-term economic growth and higher standards of living for Richland County through his work in establishing the University of Wisconsin at Richland. He also helped to ensure the public good with his work towards the establishment of the Pine Valley Manor, which was a much-needed replacement of the former County Home. He helped to ensure justice and public safety with his involvement in the building of a new Sheriff's office, as well as an expansion to the Richland County Courthouse.

His public service was not without the strong support of one very important person, his wife Elaine. Together they have raised seven children. During the Second World War, Mr. Coy answered the call and served his country honorably. Amazingly, Mr. Coy still found time for civic involvement. Over the years he has served as a cornerstone of the Richland community in a variety of roles including the Richland Hospital Board, the American Legion, 40 et 8, the Lions Club, the Masonic Lodge, and as a Shriner.

Mr. Coy's selfless and lifelong public contributions serve as a shining light for others to emulate. This, coupled with his extensive civic involvement, exemplifies our most long-standing national values.

I thank him for his service to Wisconsin, and extend my very best wishes for a well-deserved retirement.

TRIBUTE TO WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL LADY CATS BASKET-BALL TEAM

HON. JOE SCARBOROUGH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SCARBOROUGH. Mr. Speaker, the Washington High School Lady Cats basketball team of Pensacola, FL, deserves special commendation for recently capping its perfect season by winning the Class 4A Florida state championship. As 1999–2000 4A State Champions, earning an impressive 31–0 record, I

proudly recognize their achievement as the only undefeated high school basketball team—boys or girls—in my State.

I grant credit for this outstanding achievement to the entire Lady Cats team. I especially congratulate Jessica Pierce, who was named Class 4A Player of the Year, as well as 4A tournament Most Valuable Player. She and Lady Cats Jeanine Albritton, Sarah Bennett, Syreeta Byrd, Tasha Cook, LaTrachia Davis, Audra Hayes, Laura Humphreys, Clenita, Jones, Felecia Likely, Vicky McMillan, Ayana McWilliams, and Rebecca Rood demonstrated the necessary skill, teamwork, and dedication to achieve their success.

Coaches Ronnie Bond and Janis Bond also share in the Lady Cats success and deserve special recognition. In 25 years coaching Washington High School Lady Cats Basketball, they enjoyed 585 wins with only 113 losses. During their tenure, in fact, the Lady Cats claimed four State championships and landed four State runners up. Therefore, I regard the team's recent success as a tribute to these coaches tireless effort as well.

Mr. Speaker, I commend the Washington High School Lady Cats basketball team for exemplifying the true spirit of American sportsmanship. Their success shows the value of determination and commitment, and should inspire everyone to see that hard work and sacrifice lead to attaining the highest goals.

RECOGNIZING HERMAN S. "WOODY" DORSEY

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 16, 2000

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Herman S. "Woody" Dorsey on the occasion of his receiving the 2000 James E. Stewart Award from the American Association of Blacks in Energy (AABE).

The American Association of blacks in Energy is the preeminent association of Black energy professionals. By virtue of training, expertise, and experience in the energy realm, AABE emerged in the energy crisis of the 1970s to create a structure by which Blacks bring their expertise, experience, and perspectives to bear on energy policymaking. AABE members provide a vital service to those of us trying to formulate the best energy policies for all the citizens of the United States. Since its establishment in 1977. AABE has continually and insightfully informed the members of the Congressional Black Caucus on considerations vital to an effective national energy policy. We are particularly indebted to AABE for their expert counsel for the past two decades.

The Stewart Award is AABE's highest level of recognition. This year's award honors Woody Dorsey's long years of local and national leadership dedicated to a AABE's growth and viability. Woody joins the ranks of 13 earlier distinguished recipients of the Stewart Award. It is bestowed only upon those who have demonstrated outstanding achievement and leadership both within the AABE and the larger African American community. Woody's career and life exemplifies both extraordinary achievement and leadership.

A member of the AABE Board of Directors since 1990, Woody rose through the officer

ranks of AABE in record time. He served as the Board's chairman for two years during which time he increased the number of chapters in the organization by 35 percent. Woody also applied his skills and enthusiasm to the High Energy Partnership (HEP) program to guide promising young engineers from college to hands-on work experience with mentors. Woody was instrumental in getting his Company, the Consolidated Edison Company of New York to adopt a New York city high school in order to extend student development. As a result, students at Woody's "adopted" high school receive mentoring from energy professionals and college scholarships for engineering majors.

Since 1978, Mr. Dorsey has served as visiting engineering professor in the Black Executive Exchange Program (BEEP) of the National Urban League. Mr. Dorsey participated in the 1997 White House Conference on global warming. Mr. Dorsey is the Plant Manager of the 59th Street electrical generating plant in New York City. He was co-chairman of the Department of Energy's workshop on district heating and cooling and has written a number of technical papers on cogeneration.

Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate Mr. Dorsey for meriting the distinguished Stewart Award. Woody is a true leader in AABE, his company, his community, and the Nation. We owe him a debt of gratitude.

HAVEN OF REST MINISTRIES

HON. TOM SAWYER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 16, 2000

Mr. SAWYER. Mr. Speaker, the census is the largest, broadest, and most complex peacetime civic activity this Nation conducts. The Census Bureau will hire hundreds of thousands of temporary workers to ensure timely, accurate, and complete information.

We've all heard that, and some of us have had occasion to mention those facts once or twice.

But sometimes, the big picture can seem overwhelming. I'd like to address one small part of this big picture.

For more than half a century, the Haven of Rest Ministries in my home town of Akron, OH, has worked among the poor, homeless, and spiritually destitute. Founded by the Rev. and Mr. Charles C. Thomas, Haven of Rest provides a wide range of programs and services, not duplicated by other agencies or organizations in our community. Its doors are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days of year. There is never a charge.

Haven of Rest neither seeks nor receives financial assistance from the United Way or, more remarkably, from any government agency. The overwhelming percentage of its financial support—over 80 percent—comes from individuals.

In short, Haven of Rest is intimately in touch with a part of our community and a population who are often overlooked.

And now, Haven of rest is doing its part to assist in that civic activity we call the census. Haven of Rest has become a designated census site. As important, eight members of the Haven's staff have received training as census takers. They were selected because of their